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Timeslots For Nodes To Request A Bandwidth  
Amount For Data Transmission With A Resulting  
Grant For The Node To Transmit

PATENT APPLICATION

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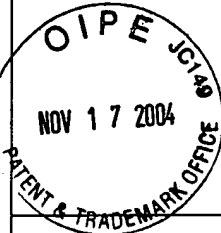
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